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ANNOUNCER

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REMARKS

UNION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE  
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2. MUSIC: Theme

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 4. landmarks of the founding and winning of America are now  
 5. to be found within the boundaries of our National Forests. From the  
 6. Green Mountain National Forest which was the home of Ethan Allen and his  
 7. Green Mountain boys to the Lolo National Forest crossed by the famous  
 8. Lolo Trail of Lewis and Clark; and from the George Washington and  
 9. Monogahela National Forests where the father of our country carried on  
 10. his early surveying activities; to the Cibola, Coconino, and Sante Fe  
 11. National Forests crossed by the bloody Apache and famous Sante Fe Trails,  
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 13. written throughout the length and breadth of the national forest system.

14. Out on the Pine Cone National Forest this 4th of July they're  
 15. celebrating the birthday of our Independence just as in all other parts  
 16. of the country. People from Winding Creek, ranchers, woodworkers, and  
 17. others for miles around are gathered on historically famous Flag Mountain  
 18. for the dedication of a new Forest Service lookout tower. Everyone is  
 19. in festive spirits -- or at least most everyone. Ranger Jim Robbins and  
 20. his assistant ranger Jerry Quick who helped arrange the Flag Mountain  
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3. much longer.

4. JIM: But Slim said he'd be here, Jerry, and unless somethin's  
5. happened to make it impossible..... Let's get the band to  
6. play some more.....

7. JERRY: Shucks, Jim, the band's played all the pieces it knows at  
8. least twice already, and the folks are gettin' tired  
9. listenin' to 'em. We gotta get started on this dedication or  
10. the whole show's gonna be a fizzle.

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12. that old flagstaff.....

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 21 tribe when he was just a little bit of a shaver and old Bill  
 3. Murphy and Tim Murphy, his granddaddy and daddy before him  
 4. were taken into the tribe, too. Old Bill Murphy was a great  
 5. Indian fighter all right but he was a great believer in the  
 6. principles of democracy too. And after the Indian wars  
 7. were over he fought just as hard to see that Indians got  
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 10. does. I got it, Jim. You go ahead with your dedication  
 11. talk and make it long.....you tell a swell story....tell  
 12. 'em all about old Bill Murphy and really go into how (FADE)  
 13. the history of this country was made.

14. MUSIC UP AND OUT

15. SOUND OF CROWD OUTDOORS SHOUTING "YEA JIM" - "SPEECH" ETC....

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19. back in Philadelphia — Bill and several other men were camped on this  
20. little flat (FAD) when you can all see from here right over there  
21. below that ridge north of the mountain.  
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1. JIM: (CLEARING THROAT) Folks, somebody said once that the thing  
2. that makes this day different from all others is that both  
3. orators and artillerymen shoot off blank cartridges. (CROWD LAUGHS) You  
4. all know me well enough to know I'm no orator. I'm just an oldtime  
5. forest ranger. We came up here today to dedicate this new fire station  
6. on top of a historic old mountain. The man who will be stationed in this  
7. cabin during fire seasons from now on will warn us of danger to our forests,  
8. and ranges, which mean our lives and homes and jobs -- just like Bill  
9. Murphy used this peak to warn the settlers of danger back in 1876. The  
10. danger in old Bill's day was hostile Indians -- today it's the fire  
11. danger. Our ancestors fought for this country and we've got to keep on  
12. fighting to protect and hold it. This new lookout station is dedicated  
13. to that purpose. To give the proper amount of control and protection  
14. over our forest resources we need a lot more stations just like it all over  
15. the country. And now I want to tell you this story -- the story of Bill  
16. Murphy and how this peak got to be called Flag Mountain. Bill Murphy  
17. was an Indian scout for the U. S. Army and on July 4, 1876 -- exactly 100  
18. years to the day after the signing of our Declaration of Independence  
19. back in Philadelphia -- Bill and several other men were camped on that  
20. little flat (FADE) that you can all see from here right over there  
21. below that ridge north of the mountain.

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1. SOUND: (FADE IN) HORSE RUNNING AND PULLED TO A QUICK HARD STOP  
 2. JACK: (A SCOUT) Whoa. (SOUND OF HORSE BLOWING) Hey Bill!  
 3. BILL: (COMING ON) Jack! What's up?  
 4. JACK: Bill! No time to talk. We gotta move back in the timber  
 5. fast. Big band a injuns slipped up on us and movin' in on  
 6. the prairie (FADE) at the foot a the mountain.  
 7. BILL: (FADING IN) Lucky you spotted 'em and got the word to us,  
 8. Jack. Must be two or three hundred of 'em.  
 9. JACK: Yeah. A bad lookin' lot. They got us trapped.  
 10. BILL: Somehow we gotta get word to the settlers.  
 11. JACK: We can't make a move 'till they do, Bill. And it looks to  
 12. me like they're fixin' to camp.  
 13. BILL: Umm. Maybe we could make a run on 'em.  
 14. JACK: Man, what're yuh talkin' about? We're outnumbered twenty  
 15. to one. We're the ones as oughta run. Once they come  
 16. across the signs of our old camp on the flat -- if they  
 17. should our scalps are as good as done for.  
 18. BILL: Just the same the settlers hereabouts have gotta be warned  
 19. to be on the lookout for raidin' parties.  
 20. JACK: Yeah, but it'd take two weeks of hard ridin' for all the  
 21. men in the outfit to warn everybody on the prairie.  
 22. BILL: Yuh see that lime cap over there just above where they're  
 23. makin' camp?  
 24. JACK: Yeah?  
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BILL: That peak looks down on a lot of the country. And settler  
seels' a flag up there would take it as a warnin' and once  
once or two settlers saw it you can bet your shirt the  
word'd get around the country.

JACK: Yeah, but.....

BILL: That's what we'll do....Come on, we'll hoist the flag on top  
of that mountain.

JACK: Now look Bill.....

BILL: If we could sneak up on the back side of that knoll and plant  
a flag up on top there and holler bloody murder and let off  
all our guns like there was a whole regiment instead a only  
ten of us...

JACK: Bill, you're crazier'n a loosed steer. (FADN) Come on,  
let's go.

PAUSE:

JACK: (FADING IN) Bill, yuh derved fool, you're exposin' yourself  
plenty by plantin' that flag up there.

BILL: That's part of the play, Jack. I'll plant the flag. You  
see to the men. You get 'em all set to let go with their  
guns.

JACK: All right. We'll make enough noise to make them Comanches  
think the whole United States army has pulled up alongside  
of 'em here. But if they don't scare.... Well, I'll see  
you in heaven, Bill.

BILL: Right pardner. Here goes..... up with the Stars and Stripes!

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Bill, you're crazy! It's a loaded story. (THANKS) (LAUGH)

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 23. Bill's grandson might..... Department of Agriculture, Uncle  
 24. SOUND: SHOOTING, YELLING AND HORSES RUNNING, COMING ON on the  
 25. National Park and Game Hour next Friday.

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6. (CHEERS, BAND PLAYING, GENERAL PANDEMONIUM)  
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8. JIM: I'll say, Jerry ... and him bringing' the Indians with him  
9. is the best part of it. That's America.  
10. (FADECHEERING)  
11. MUSIC: FINALE  
12. ANNOUNCER: The story you have just heard is based on actual facts in  
13. history. Flag Mountain is in the Black Hills National Forest,  
14. South Dakota, and was made famous by Joe Reynolds an Indian  
15. scout for General Custer. Until the time of his death,  
16. Reynolds climbed to the top of the mountain every Fourth of  
17. July and hoisted a new United States flag. Since his death,  
18. one of his sons has carried on the tradition by hoisting a  
19. flag on the same old flagstaff each Fourth of July in memory  
20. of his father.  
21. This has been a presentation of the National  
22. Broadcasting Company, with the cooperation of the Forest  
23. Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Uncle  
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